

MINUTES OF TOWN BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, October 8, 2008-7:00 P.M.

- 1) Call to Order-7:00 p.m.-Chairman DeLong called the monthly Board meeting to order.
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance-The pledge was said.
- 3) Roll Call/Quorum Call.-Present were Bill Brewer, Lester Oldenburg, Tim Kopp, Mike Schaefer and Dan DeLong. A quorum was present. Attorney Henderson was absent; Attorney Brooke Joos was present as legal council.
- 4) Approval of Agenda-Tim Kopp moved to allow the County Sheriff to address the townspeople before the committee reports and approve the agenda as such. Seconded by Bill Brewer. Motion carried with a voice vote.
- 5) Committee Reports-Deputy Natter answered questions the residents asked; theft/burglary were concerns.
 - a. Highway Department Report-Mike Birkholz reported the highway department filled potholes, trimmed trees, maintained the town grounds, parks and cemetery. Fixed the guardrail, cleaned up stumps, and did some culvert work on Colley Road.
 - b. Fire Department Report-Chief Huffman reported there were 18 calls in September. The practice was going over the brush truck, fighting cornfield fires, grass fires, how to back burn and when and how to take Engine 51 off road to fight a combine fire.
 - c. Police Department Report-Chief LeFeber reported the man hours worked in September was 135.5, miles logged 1385. Chief LeFeber and Officer DuCharme attended a funeral for Bob Hurley, a past Turtle police officer. Chief LeFeber noted the budgeted fuel for 2008 for the police department has only \$172 left for the remainder of the year. Also, Chief LeFeber noted there were approximately \$35,000 worth of citations wrote to date and \$19,000 collected.
 - d. Safety Committee Report-Jere Crouse reported the Safety Committee met on October 1. They discussed a blinking light for a cost of \$1600. Some residents from Murphy Woods Road asked that the police patrol Murphy Woods more.
 - e. Parks Committee-Katie Ward reported the Parks Committee met in September. A number of the items were tabled. Katie asked for approval for Mike Birkholz to replace wood on 3 park benches. The parks committee proposed purchasing a swing set and arch climber for Lindale Park. This will be an agenda item for November. Also the committee would like stop signs by Lindale Park.
 - f. Cemetery Committee-Don Jones reported the Cemetery Committee met on October 2 instead of October 1. LLS restoration project was reviewed. There has been a notice to clean up put in the paper. The next meeting will be November 5.

- 6) Public Notices-Future Meetings, etc-Parks Committee will meet October 19 at 3:00 p.m. at Lindale Park.

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| a. Town Board Budget Workshop-October 13, 2008-7:00 p.m. | f. Safety Committee-November 5, 2008-7:00 p.m |
| b. Planning Commission-October 15, 2008-7:00 p.m. | g. Court-November 5, 2008-6:00 p.m |
| c. Turtle Community Org-October 16, 2008-7:00 p.m.. | h. Cemetery Committee Meeting-November 5, 2008-7:00 p.m |
| d. Fall Festival Meeting October 22, 2008-7:00 p.m. | .i. Budget Hearing -November 11, 2008-7:00 p.m. |
| e. Presidential Election-November 4, 2008-7:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. | j. Town Board Meeting-November 12, 2008-7:00 p.m. |

- 7) Citizens' Questions/Comments-Clinton School Board members (Rob McConnell and Art Braband) presented information regarding the referendum for the school district.

- 8) Board Member Comments-Dan DeLong read a letter he had composed regarding budgeting.
- 9) Approval of Minutes-Bill Brewer moved to approve the September 10 minutes with the correction of the Cemetery meeting date to October 2 and the October 2, 2008 minutes to be approved as presented. Seconded by Lester Oldenburg. Motion carried with a voice vote.
- 10) Approval of Invoices-Bill Brewer moved to approve payment of the invoices. Seconded by Mike Schaefer. Motion carried with a voice vote.

- 11) Treasurer Report-The checking balance is \$506,459.64, Cemetery Checking-\$40,716.54 and Impact Fees-\$28,880.44. Tim Kopp moved to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Seconded by Bill Brewer. Motion carried with a voice vote.
- 12) Planning Commission Report-Don Jones reported the Planning Commission met on September 17. A conditional use permit for ATC/Alliant Energy was discussed; an amendment will need to be applied for. The Commission gave a favorable recommendation for the land division for Robert/Andrew Brewer with the request of a certified survey map to be filed. Carrie Houston, Rock County Planner addressed the utility and community facilities element for Smart Growth. The next meeting is October 15.
- 13) Unfinished Business-None
- 14) New Business
 - a. Consider and Act Upon Land Division-Robert/Andrew Brewer-Bill Brewer stepped down as Town Supervisor at this point. Don Jones reported the conditional use permit for Rock Energy had been issued previously. Mike Schaefer moved to approve the land division for Robert and Andrew Brewer. Seconded by Lester Oldenburg. The roll call vote was as follows: Lester Oldenburg-aye, Tim Kopp-aye, Mike Schaefer-aye and Dan DeLong-aye. Motion carried with a unanimous roll call vote. Bill Brewer returned to his position as Town Supervisor.
 - b. Approve Agent for Gun Club-Brent Holloway-Chief LeFeber did a background check on Brent Holloway and his record is clear. Lester Oldenburg moved to approve the appointment of Brent Holloway as agent for Dajka Corp, The Gun Club. Seconded by Tim Kopp. The roll call vote was as follows: Bill Brewer-aye, Lester Oldenburg-aye, Tim Kopp-aye, Mike Schaefer-aye and Dan DeLong-aye. Motion carried with a unanimous roll call vote.
 - c. Consider Patrolling/Highway Request-A petition to address traffic issues was received by the Safety Committee from residents on Murphy Woods Road. Different ideas were discussed to address the traffic issues on Murphy Woods Road. The police department is concentrating on this area and the efforts seem to be helping.
- 15) Adjournment-Bill Brewer moved to adjourn. Seconded by Lester Oldenburg. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah Bennett
Clerk/Treasurer-Town of Turtle